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P R 170751Z AUG 76
FM AMEMBASSY RABAT
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9497
INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS
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AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT
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AMEMBASSY TUNIS

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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER HEADING GOM DELEGATION FOR NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT

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1. IN A SURPRISE MOVE, THE KING HAS NAMED PRIME MINISTER AHMED OSMAN TO REPRESENT MOROCCO AT THE COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT. OSMAN DEPARTED RABAT AUGUST 15. INCLUDED IN HIS PARTY WERE TWO MORE OPPOSITION PARTY LEADERS, ALI YATA, CHIEF OF THE PARTI DU PROGRES ET DU SOCIALISME (COMMUNIST) AND MAHJOUBI AHERDAN, CHIEF OF THE MOUVEMENT POPULAIRE.

2. COMMENT: THE GOM, IN SENDING THE PRIMIN, CONTINUES TO REFLECT THE MAJOR EFFORT IT IS MAKING TO AVOID A DIPLOMATIC SETBACK AT COLOMBO. OSMAN ALMOST NEVER REPRESENTS THE GOM AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND IT IS HIS STATUS, NOT HIS EXPERTISE, WHICH HE WILL BE LENDING TO THE GOM DELEGATION.

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3. THE INCLUSION OF ALI YATA AND AHERDAN BRINGS TO FOUR

THE NUMBER OF OPPOSITION CHIEFS IN THE GOM DELEGATION.
ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS PLAY, BOUABID AND TO A LESSER
EXTEND BOUCETTA HAVE BEEN PUTTING THEIR CONSIDERABLE
SPEAKING ABILITIES TO FREQUENT USE IN COLOMBO SESSIONS TO
DATE. IT CANNOT BE LOST ON ALL CONCERNED THAT VIRTUALLY
ALL OF MOROCCO'S POLITICAL ELEMENTS WILL NOW BE TOTALLY
IDENTIFIED WITH THE GOM'S DIPLOMATIC FORTUNES AT COLOMBO.
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